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UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Bernard H.F. WEBER for Novel Retina-Specific Human Proteins C7orf9, C12orf7, MPP4 and F379.

☐ Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

☒ Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Also enclosed are:

☒ 17 sheet(s) of ☐ formal ☒ informal drawing(s);

☐ a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is ☐ hereby made to filed in on ;

☐ in the declaration;

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☐ an Assignment document;

☐ an Information Disclosure Statement;

☐ a patent application data sheet; and

☒ Other: Sequence Listing (55 pages)

☐ An ☒ executed ☐ unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)

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☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to filed in on ; the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--

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☒ Small entity status is hereby claimed.



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☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

| C L A I M S | | | | | |
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| | No. Of CLAIMS | | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | FEE |
| Basic Application Fee | | | | | \$740.00 (101) |
| Total Claims | 31 | MINUS 20 = | 11 | × \$18.00 (103) = | 198.00 |
| Independent Claims | 6 | MINUS 3 = | 3 | × \$84.00 (102) = | 252.00 |
| If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00 (104) | | | | | 280.00 |
| Total Application Fee | | | | | 1,470.00 |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee | | | | | 735.00 |
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| TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE | | | | | 735.00 |

☒ This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

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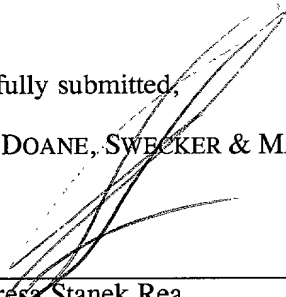
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